

Application to join our Friends Network

I hereby authorise Emmaus Rugby to hold my personal contact details, including my name, address and telephone number (home and mobile), to be kept on a database and operated by an authorised representative of Emmaus Rugby. The purpose is to collate a list of local supporters within Rugby and the surrounding areas for activities relating to the development of an Emmaus Community in Rugby.

Title:

First name:

Surname:

Address:

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Telephone:

Email:

I am happy to receive information by email

Yes No

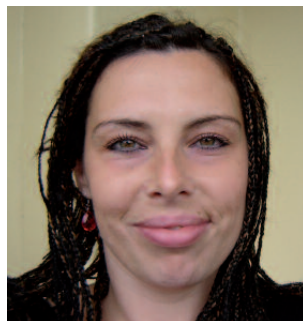
I can offer the following skills (*optional*)

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Please return this form to:
Chair of Trustees, Emmaus Rugby
36 North Street, Rugby, CV21 2AL



Rachel lived at Emmaus Brighton between 2002 and 2004



“What attracted me to Emmaus was the fact that everyone who lives in Emmaus Communities has to work in the Community business. For many people, particularly people with addictions, having too much time on their hands can be a real danger. Emmaus ensures that as well as support, everyone is given the motivation to get out of bed in the morning.

Emmaus gave me some control back over my life and restored my confidence. The Community provided quite a lot of healing therapies such as homeopathy and I also saw a counsellor. I was able to talk about how I felt and question why it was that I behaved in the way that I did. I won't say that Emmaus waved a magic wand and made everything better, but it gave me the chance to begin to get better. It felt like a sanctuary.

I'm now off drugs, I have my own flat, and I feel as if everything is falling into place. I attend a three-day-a-week programme for women who were drug users, and I am doing voluntary work. I want to lead a decent life and give something back. These days I see that I have options. I will always be grateful to Emmaus because living and working there restored in me the feeling of possibility. I am working towards happiness now.“

Emmaus Rugby is a registered charity no 1120347



Become a Friend of Emmaus Rugby



Emmaus – the homeless charity that works

Email: info@emmausrugby.org.uk
shop@emmausrugby.org.uk
Web: www.emmausrugby.org.uk

Shop opening times:
Monday to Saturday: 10.00am–4.00pm
Tel: 01788 544003

Why become a Friend of Emmaus?

As a Friend, you will be kept informed of the progress of our Community's development, as well as being invited to Open Days and special celebrations.

So how can you help?

- Donate good-quality unwanted items to the shop
- Become a volunteer in the shop
- Join a task group and become part of the team developing a Community for the homeless
- Become a trustee
- Support Emmaus Rugby through the giving of donations

If you would like to become a 'Friend of Emmaus', then please fill in the form overleaf and return it to the following address:

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What is Emmaus?

Emmaus is about people, many of whom arrive at Emmaus at a very low point in their lives. People become homeless for many different reasons, but at Emmaus they find the space and support they need to start rebuilding their lives.

Emmaus Communities live as a family, with members supporting each other and contributing to the well-being of all. Each Companion (or resident) has their own room, but meals are eaten together and housework is shared. All Companions work full-time in the Community business which, in turn, enables each Community not only to be self-financing, but also to support other good causes in the wider community.

The benefits of an Emmaus Community to Rugby

- Emmaus offers an opportunity to escape the loneliness and rejection of homelessness.
- People recover their self-respect and take responsibility for their own lives.
- Companions sign off unemployment benefits and find full-time employment within the Community.
- Companions learn new skills and, in some cases, gain qualifications.
- Any surplus created by the business is used to help those in the local area who have less.

The shop

The shop opened in March 2009 to raise awareness about Emmaus, and begin raising funds towards the possible opening of an Emmaus Community in the Rugby Borough.

The shop is run by a manager and assistant manager, along with a team of volunteers who give their time to help with a variety of tasks to ensure the shop is a success.

Items sold in the shop, which are donated by the public, include furniture, clothes, bric-a-brac, books, jewellery, and household and electrical goods.

